

Summary Notes
LAKE HOOD USER GROUP MEETING
TED STEVENS ANCHORAGE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
THURSDAY, 4 PM, JANUARY 26, 2012

- Winter Ski Operations: (John Parrott)
 - LHD/Z41- Open (except when unsafe conditions exist) and surface status reported, i.e. OPEN, eight inches of fresh/hard pack snow covering fourteen inches of ice.

Initial confusion at the beginning of the ski season appear to have been resolved.

Consensus of users and airport management seemed to be that the current system in place appears to be working well.

Possible refinement of system may be needed in the spring when the ice melts. ANC Ops will generate sample NOTAMs to distribute to stakeholders

- Aquatic weed update: (Scott Lytle)

No invasive species have been found in the lakes

Invasive species have been found around the lakes. ANC plans to eradicate these in the spring.

Homer and Juneau do not use chemicals to treat their weeds.

Juneau did use once but was not impressed by the effectiveness
Slipholders have the options of pursuing individual permits

- Airport signs need updating and or removal: (Carla Smith)
 - Airport consultant's (CRW) suggestions;
 - Toured airport with Lake Hood Pilots Association President.

Area signs currently being reviewed for consistency. Signage will be completed this spring 2012. Possibly add "do not touch aircraft" and associated legal references in brochures located at kiosks.

Allegations that DOT&PF Central Region employees continue to use the taxiway for recreational purposes. ANC will discuss with DOT&PF CR.

- Construction (new storm-water drainage system) project: (Mike Lee)
 - Many aircraft in Alpha, Bravo, & Charlie Parking must be relocated in July/August during construction;

- Phasing construction so only one aircraft parking apron will have to relocate at any one time;
 - Temporary location for aircraft to be determined.
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- Z41 runway lighting upgrade project: (Carla Smith)
 - Runway closed from April 3 through April 24, 2012.
 - ANC Engineering will look to see if we can open the strip on weekends during the closure.
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- Tour bus stops and passengers disembarking: (Jesse Davis)
 - Policies, regulations & laws.

ANC has asked for info regarding alleged incidents. Airport Police and Fire will also research.

Location and significance of problem needs to be determined.

Chief of AP&F, Jesse Davis briefed enforcement option and requirements

Other topics of discussion

LHD CTAF for ground operations – FAA

GA attendance at FAA User Group meetings – ANC will discuss with FAA

Request for Delta parking paving with reference to Master Plan – ANC will research and provide further information at the next meeting – ANC Engineering

Suggestion to combine East Airpark Drainage and A/B parking repaving.

Discussion of frequency congestion in the Valley – FAA and users have already established a working group led by AOPA and AK Airmen.

Dial in ATIS for LHD (and ANC). FAA can no longer support, ANC is attempting to provide.

Echo snow pile heights are getting too high. ANC FM will investigate

West Ramp out of Lake Hood has caused aircraft damage. ANC FM will investigate. Ramp may be NOTAM'ed out of service.

Merle Akers requested information about deicing fluid amounts used this year.

- ANC has used 377 tons of surface deicing fluid (Potassium Acetate) so far this snow season, Oct - May. The average annual use is 457 tons. In the past eight (8) years usage has been as high as 881 tons and low as 322 tons.

February 9th- new VOR commissioned.

Consensus was that the later meeting time (4:00 pm) was better than earlier in the afternoon.

Next meeting will be in mid-April